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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The present application has been allowed, however the Issue Fee has not yet been paid. A Request for Continued Examination and the requisite fee therefor is being filed concurrently herewith.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith a copy of Form PTO-1449, which lists references not previously of record. In addition, Applicants submit a copy of an International Search Report, dated October 5, 1999, which issued in Applicants' corresponding International Patent Application No. PCT/US1998/27056. The reference cited in the ISR and not previously of record is included in the Form PTO-1449. Copies the listed references, other than U.S. patent documents, are also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

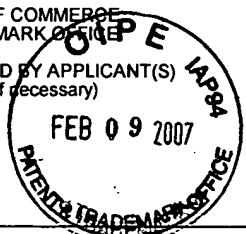
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